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NORTH HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

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Summary

Status of Compliance:

Submission of this report by the Town of North Haven maintains compliance with the reporting requirements of the General Permit for the Discharge of Stormwater from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (GP) issued on January 9, 2004 and reissued on January 12, 2009.

The Town is in full compliance with the stormwater monitoring requirements of the General Permit. In 2009 and 2010 the Town caught up on outfall sampling and analysis that had not been conducted from 2005 through 2008.

As reported last year, stormwater outfall sampling of December 7, 2004, July 21, 2009 and November 27, 2009 and subsequent reporting of results to DEP complied with the monitoring requirements of the GP for years 1 through 3 (2004 through 2006).

In 2010, stormwater outfall sampling of May 3, 2010, May 12, 2010 and December 1, 2010 and subsequent reporting of results to DEP complied with the monitoring requirements of the GP for years 4 through 7 (2007 through 2010).

Assessment of Best Management Practices:

North Haven began implementation of Best Management Practices (BMPs) in 2004. Many of the BMPs identified in the Town's Stormwater Management Plan were already in place, particularly in the area of sedimentation and erosion control, and were considered to be effective in reducing contaminant loads in stormwater discharges. The Town has also significantly reduced the amount of road sand applied to town roads by use of an enhanced de-icing salt, starting in 2009.

Many of the BMPs in the 2004 Stormwater Management Plan were implemented either through existing practices of the Town or by qualifying local programs conducted within the Town, most notably by the Quinnipiac River Watershed Association (QRWA).

Progress on Minimum Control Measures:

The Town made progress on several of the Minimum Control Measures (MCMs) by implementing appropriate BMPs identified in the Plan and achieved their respective Measurable Goals. The Town plans to incrementally implement any as yet unimplemented BMPs in so as to ultimately reach levels of compliance as originally intended in the Plan.

Monitoring Data

Stormwater sampling from six outfall locations (2 commercial, 2 residential and 2 industrial) was conducted on May 3, 2010, May 12, 2010 and December 1, 2010.

The results were entered on DEP's Stormwater Monitoring Report form and submitted to DEP under cover letters dated May 26, 2010, June 1, 2010, and January 3, 2011. Because the results were previously transmitted to DEP, they are not attached hereto.

The monitoring data did not identify the presence of obvious illicit discharges within the areas tributary to the sampling locations. There were some exceedances of EPA benchmark values for stormwater quality, but none of the exceedances were indicative of illicit discharges. A tabulation of the three monitoring rounds is presented in the Appendix A of this report.

Minimum Control Measures

1.0 - Introduction

Best Management Practices and Minimum Control Measures are introduced in Section 1.0 of the Town's Stormwater Management Plan of the Plan and itemized in Sections 2.0 through 6.0 of the Plan.

The following section describes what was planned for each BMP and whether or not measurable goals were achieved. If measurable goals were not achieved, plans for achieving them in the future are also discussed.

2.0 - Public Education and Outreach

BMP 2A – In support and partnership with QRWA, continue to implement an outreach and education program, educating the public on watershed dynamics and pollution loading issues.

Measurable Goal: 600 students per year will receive a presentation and / or take-home materials. Teachers will evaluate program

Measurable goal was achieved by a diversity of education opportunities available in North Haven, such as environmental science and other science courses taught in the North Haven Public Schools and field trips conducted at the North Haven Water Pollution Control Facility and at the Whitney Water Center of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority.

Details regarding this measurable goal are discussed below. As shown, at least 600 students received presentations from field trips to the Whitney Water Center or by the use of their loan boxes, which are used in classrooms.

South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (RWA), and Quinnipiac River Watershed Association (QRWA) were contacted for information about environmental education outreach programs and pre-packaged presentation materials for students and the general public. Also, Hugh Davis, chairman of

North Haven's Conservation Commission, described the Commission's public outreach involvement through North Haven's Earth Day Celebration and Environmental Information Day, and CT DEP, US EPA, Boy Scouts of America, and Girl Scouts of the USA websites were explored for educational material and opportunities.

RWA

Lisa DiFrancesco, the company's Educator, identifies Elementary and Middle School aged students as the group best suited for RWA's outreach educational programs, though some activities are appropriate for pre-K classes.

Ms. DiFrancesco reports that the easiest way to reach the most number of students is through the use of loan boxes from RWA. Loan boxes are self-contained teaching units with teachers' guides and everything needed for teaching various aspects of water science. The *Watershed* loan boxes can be lent to teachers, parents, youth group leaders, and the Town for use in their *Earth Day* event.

Lessons in the loan boxes include studies of the water cycle, watershed locations, mapping, and modeling, aquatic macro invertebrates and the health of streams, and a demonstration of how pollution accumulates within a water body. Loan boxes offer flexibility not found in more formal classroom programs, and they can be reserved on short notice and integrated easily into science discussions.

Similar to the loan box activities is the *Watershed* classroom program. It involves 45 minutes to an hour in the classroom. An entire grade of 300 students can be covered by Ms. DiFrancesco providing the presentation for 3 or 4 classes a day for 3 or 4 days. This program is recommended for late Elementary and Middle School students.

Ms. DiFrancesco also offers a program called *Project Water* to 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders. Though not recommended for the targeted number of 600 students, a select number of students can be accommodated. The program consists of 3 visits to the school classroom by Ms. DiFrancesco for an introductory and background lesson, then an intensive 4 hours of water testing in the field. Field work is performed at the Whitney Water Center at 945 Whitney Avenue in Hamden.

Another popular program is *Problem with Pollution*, which identifies both point source and nonpoint source pollutants. The target students are 3rd and 4th graders, and again, 3 or 4 classes a day can be managed by Ms. DiFrancesco for a few days to cover an entire grade with 300 students.

Ms. DiFrancesco pointed out that the programs are rarely presented at the Whitney Water Center anymore because of school budget cuts. Statistics for North Haven's 2009-2010 school year are as follows:

Classroom participation programs:

• Green Acres School: 80 students

Clintonville School: 160 students

• Ridge Road School: 242 students

Montowese School: none

North Haven Middle School: none

Loan boxes:

Green Acres School: 200 students

• Clintonville School: none

Ridge Road School: none

Montowese School: none

North Haven Middle School: none

Apparent is the need for watershed protection education programs for the Middle School and Montowese School. It can be suggested to the three elementary schools and Middle School currently not using loan boxes to find ways to integrate them into their science curriculum.

North Haven Day at RWA's HazWaste Central, located at 90 Sargent Drive in New Haven utilizes mostly adult volunteers, but it could be a good opportunity for distributing brochures and pertinent information regarding watershed protection to the general public.

Lori Vitigliano (phone number: 203-401-2720) is HazWaste Central's *North Haven Day* coordinator. She can provide HazWaste Central flyers or educational "goodie bags" to the schools or Town offices for as many students, youth groups and residents as needed. For more information about HazWaste Central, check out their website: http://www.rwater.com/hazwaste/. The Town's website makes mention of HazWaste Central on the Public Works page.

The North Haven Earth Day Celebration can also be a way to get information to students and home/business owners as noted on the Conservation Commission tab on the Town's website: http://www.town.north-haven.ct.us/Government/ConservationCommission.asp.

RWA educational brochure: http://www.rwater.com/education/pdfs/RWA-Education-Brochure.pdf

Loan box reservation online form: http://www.rwater.com/education/register-reserve.html

RWA *Educational Programs* phone number: 203-777-1142 between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday

QRWA

QRWA offers opportunities for educating small groups of students and adults through volunteer programs. Mary Mushinsky, the association's Executive Director, described combined stewardship and education fee- or grant- based programs offered. QRWA has the support of CT DEP and US EPA, and serves as a sort of middleman between scientists and volunteers.

Students and youth groups can learn how to be stewards of the Quinnipiac River through training with QRWA staff. Students can also learn to assist CT DEP in performing rapid bioassessments of stream life through a program called *Streamwalks* which involves a grant used to fund students and youth groups to do physical surveys of the River and its tributaries. Volunteers are trained to National Resources Conservation Service's standards to identify missing riparian buffers, erosion, algae blooms from over-fertilization, and other issues affecting water quality.

QRWA's Landowner Education program uses trained volunteers to distribute door-to-door material. QRWA offers an abbreviated educational brochure entitled <u>Quinnipiac Greenway Landowner's Guide</u> to help landowners reduce pollution, maintain vegetative buffers, and use tax credits to conserve watershed land. QRWA can also supply a full-length guide for municipal officials. This is part of an ongoing program to restore vegetation along the River and to urge land developers and municipalities to follow strict practice in providing protective buffers to ensure water quality.

Friends of the River, as part of QRWA's Clean Water Act Sec. 319 grant program, has student volunteers (aged 14 and older) recruit homeowners and businesses adjacent to the River to hold to 6 best practices to help reduce runoff pollution. Put on hold for now, this labor-intensive program needs additional funding to continue. The link to Friends of the River poster: http://www.northhaventrails.org/documents/Poster.pdf (see Scope of Work BMP 3C)

Source to Sound is an annual clean-up program. Although it is mostly filled with adult volunteers, it can involve students and youth groups in cleaning up the North Haven portion of Quinnipiac River. Sandy Stetson, QRWA's North Haven Coordinator, can be contacted for more information on this program through the website. (see BMP 3E)

North Haven Earth Day can provide the opportunity for recruiting volunteers for any of the above programs.

It is recommended that North Haven High School include QRWA as an appropriate agency at which environmentally minded senior year students can fulfill community service/volunteer requirements.

For more information on QRWA's educational programs go to: http://www.grwa.org/Content/Education_1.asp

QRWA's Mary Mushinsky can be reached by email at grwa@sbcglobal.net.

The continued support of the Conservation Commission can be utilized to educate the public with tables and demonstrations at *North Haven's Earth Day Celebration* and coordination of PSAs and other public outreach.

The CT DEP website has an online *The Watershed Game* set up with two levels-novice and intermediate- a fun and interesting way to inform students in classrooms or for a homework assignment. It can be found at: http://www.bellmuseum.org/distancelearning/watershed/watershed2.html

US EPA's website's *Teaching Center* has numerous educational opportunities for teachers, students and volunteers: http://www.epa.gov/teachers/community-svc-projects.htm. There are many ways in which to get involved, including *Adopt a Watershed*, which involves students in Grades 6-12.

One of Boy Scouts of America's contributions to environmental public service is *Conservation Good Turn* which helps to conserve wildlife, energy, forests, soil, and water. Girl Scouts of the USA has the *Elliott Wildlife Values Project* (EWVP) which combines wildlife conservation and environmental stewardship.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue to utilize educational opportunities available from the QRWA, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority and others as described above.

BMP 2B – Distribute information on lawn fertilizer, pesticide use, impacts of overuse and other household contaminants.

Measurable Goal: Educate 400 homeowners per year through brochures and fact sheets.

Measurable goal was achieved by making brochures available at Library, Town Hall and Town Hall Annex. In addition, the Town annually sponsors an Environmental Information Day where information and displays regarding these matters are made available to participants. Most of the residences in Town (those that are customers of the South Central Regional Water Authority) also receive information flyers in their water bills and information regarding safe disposal of hazardous wastes at "Haz Waste Central", which is operated by the Regional Water Authority.

The following tasks were completed under BMP 2B in 2010:

- 1. Identify and recommend a brochure or fact sheet regarding lawn fertilizer, pesticide use, impacts of overuse and other household contaminants; to be printed and distributed to homeowners by the Town.
- 2. Provide materials for annual Environmental Information Day.
- 3. Recommend methods for further education and outreach avenues via local access cable television and/or links to the Town's website.

Further information and possible future opportunities to enhance homeowner education regarding fertilizers, pesticides and household contaminants that were identified by completion of the above-listed tasks are discussed below.

Various websites for educational material about contaminants and fertilizer use were explored for possibilities on how to display or present content. Hugh Davis of the Conservation Commission was contacted about North Haven's Earth Day Celebration/Environmental Information Day and the Commission's and Department of Public Works' involvement.

Organic Farming Association- Connecticut and Massachusetts Chapters- has an <u>Organic Land Care</u> brochure on reducing synthetic chemical use and suggested alternatives for lawn, shrub, and tree care. This 2 page flyer contains many important facts and steps to attain a healthy outdoor living environment. They have allowed permission to copy and distribute this brochure, available by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to CT NOFA, Box 135, Stevenson, CT 06491. Their website: www.organiclandcare.net

North Haven's Earth Day Celebration/Environmental Information Day provides an excellent opportunity to educate the Town's homeowners on the issues of the hazards of overuse of fertilizer, pesticides, and other yard and household contaminants. Environmental brochures and flyers containing recommendations for adopting a more "green" lifestyle can be distributed to homeowners in town. This is one of the Conservation Commission's main focuses for educating residents.

Brochures can include: QRWA's <u>Greenway Landowners' Guide to the Quinnipiac River & its Tributaries</u> (particularly pages 6-9 which offer pertinent information and key points on household and yard pollutants), the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service's (NRCS) <u>What is a Watershed?</u>, and Rivers Alliance of Connecticut's *The Importance of Streamside Buffers*.

US EPA's brochure <u>After the Storm</u> (also available in video form) is a colorful and comprehensive guide to understanding stormwater management. It explains stormwater runoff and the problems of pollution contained in runoff relating not only to lawn care and residential landscaping, but also septic systems, auto care, and pet waste. It also contains information for those involved with commercial establishments, construction sites, agricultural areas, and automotive facilities.

Information can also be made available through Public Service Announcements (PSAs) and programs on North Haven's local cable channels at NHTV, Channel 18- Public Access channel, Channel 19- Educational Access channel, and Channel 20- Governmental Television programming. Students in various environmental science or communication classes or clubs at North Haven High School could create PSA's. The Town could allow for a time slot to present environmental education videos such as EPA's <u>After the Storm</u>.

To order <u>After the Storm</u> video: contact EPA's <u>NPDES</u> program at <u>npdesbox-request@epa.gov</u> or fax your request to 202-564-6392. Please include the words "Stormwater Month Materials" in your e-mail or fax and the order number EPA 840-C-06-001 for video.

For information about submittals of PSAs: http://www.nhtv.com/NHTVSubmitPSA.html.
For submittals of programs go to http://www.nhtv.com/NHTVSubmitProgram.html.
For general information about NHTV go to www.NHTV.com.

The Town government website www.town.north-haven.ct.us can be used to post similar educational information. Links to RWA http://www.rwater.com/, QRWA http://www.grwa.org/ and Rivers Alliance of Connecticut http://www.riversalliance.org/ can be added to the Community tab, and links to the National Resources Defense Council (NRDC) http://www.nrdc.org/ and the NRCS http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/ can be introduced in a tab for a more general topics such as watershed protection, green living, and environmental awareness and stewardship.

Getting the word out about *North Haven's Earth Day Celebration/Environmental Information Day* and HazWaste's *North Haven-sponsored Day* can be achieved in the Announcements sidebar on the Town's website.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue to use brochures and fact sheets, to continue sponsoring the annual Environmental Information Day and explore other opportunities, such as local access cable television and the Town's website, as discussed above, to further educate homeowners regarding lawn fertilizer, pesticide use, impacts of overuse and other household contaminants.

BMP 2C – Reduce the impact of failing septic systems and their effect on the quality of water bodies in the Town of North Haven.

Measurable Goal: Identify homes currently using septic systems. Educate 400 homeowners per year through brochures and fact sheets. Hold an information workshop in year 1.

Measurable goal was partially achieved by identification of areas on septic systems, as mapped by the Town Engineer's Office. Additionally, the Quinnipiack Health District, which serves several area towns is located in North Haven and has brochures available at their office. The health district conducts inspections of septic systems and enforces corrective actions should failing septic systems be detected.

The following tasks were completed under BMP 2C in 2010:

- 1. Identify and recommend a brochure or fact sheet regarding the impact of failing septic systems and their effect on the quality of water bodies; to be printed and distributed to homeowners by the Town.
- 2. Recommend methods for the most effective outreach avenues via local access cable television and/or links to the Town's website, or an informational workshop, as originally proposed in the 2004 Stormwater Management Plan.

Further information and possible future opportunities to enhance homeowner education regarding septic systems that were identified by completion of the above-listed tasks are discussed below.

Various websites were explored for pertinent content.

QVHD offers information to educate homeowners about the impact of failing septic systems and the effect on regional water quality. They have various available brochures including the following:

Connecticut Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (COWRA) brochure which focuses on proper septic system maintenance: Homeowner's Guide to Septic Systems (www.cowra-online.org/images/COWRA Brochure Rev7.pdf). This small, 4-fold (two sided) pdf is recommended for printing and distribution to applicable homeowners in Town based on content and size. COWRA has additional information on its website's Consumer's Page: http://www.cowra-online.org/consumerspage.html

National Small Flows Clearinghouse (as part of National Environmental Services Center) 3-part collection of brochures:

Part 1: So...now you own a septic system

(http://www.nesc.wvu.edu/pdf/ww/septic/septic tank1.pdf)

Part 2: The care and feeding of your septic system

(http://www.nesc.wvu.edu/pdf/ww/septic/septic_tank2.pdf)

Part 3: Groundwater protection and your septic system

(http://www.nesc.wvu.edu/pdf/ww/septic/septic_tank3.pdf).

NSFC also has free downloads related to septic systems on their Septic Systems page: http://www.nesc.wvu.edu/subpages/septic.cfm. This link can be added to North Haven's website.

The North Haven Library confirmed that it can dedicate space for pertinent environmental/educational material (contact Nancy Haag at 203-239-5803), and

the Public Works Department and main Town Hall can provide up-to-date informational material for visitors.

A QVHD sanitarian representative can be available (schedule-permitting) to participate in the *North Haven Earth Day Celebration/Environmental Information Day* with an informational workshop or question and answer session to educate the public about healthy septic systems. The contact at QVHD for public outreach programs is Deborah Culligan at 203-248-4528. QVHD is linked on North Haven's website in the *Community* tab, under "Health: http://www.qvhd.org/.

CT DEP has a link to an informative pdf called <u>Septic Systems 101- Operation</u> and <u>Maintenance of a Subsurface Sewage Disposal System</u> at http://www.ct.gov/dph/lib/dph/environmental_health/environmental_engineering/pdf/Septic_Systems_101.pdf. US EPA has a Septic System Guide: http://www.nesc.wvu.edu/pdf/ww/septic/epa_septic_guide.pdf. These links can be added to North Haven's website along with other related links and information about septic systems and waste water.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue to use brochures and fact sheets and explore other opportunities, such as local access cable television and the Town's website, to further educate homeowners regarding the impact of failing septic systems and their effect on the quality of water bodies in the Town of North Haven.

BMP 2D – Reduce nutrient loading through pet wastes and waterfowl wastes reduction.

Measurable Goal: Post four signs in the Town; develop and distribute flyers by the end of year four.

Measurable goal was partially achieved by identification of an informative flyer regarding the volume of wastes generated by geese that is available from the QRWA. This flyer is recommended for distribution to educate the public regarding this matter. The Town may consider an ordinance prohibiting feeding of waterfowl if education is ineffective.

Signs have previously been posted at Town Parks, particularly Sinoway Pond and Todd's Pond, which are locations where residents frequently feed geese. Vegetative buffers were also planted around Todd's Pond in an effort to discourage geese from flocking there.

Signs regarding curbing and picking up after of your dog/pet were developed by Public Works and installed on the Town Green, Sinoway Pond and Montowese Park.

The following tasks were completed under BMP 2D in 2010:

- 1. Identify and recommend a brochure or fact sheet regarding the impact of pet and waterfowl wastes on the quality of water bodies; to be printed and distributed to homeowners by the Town.
- 2. Recommend wording, design and locations for signs advising against feeding waterfowl or encouraging collection of pet wastes; to be made and installed at appropriate locations by the Town. Consideration of ordinances will be deferred to 2011 to enable assessment of the effectiveness of these educational measures.

Mary Mushinsky at Quinnipiac River Watershed Association (QRWA) was contacted and the EPA website was explored for pertinent information.

The majority of ponds and streams in North Haven drain into and contribute to the Quinnipiac, Muddy, and Mill Rivers. Reducing nutrient loading from waterfowl and other animal wastes can enhance water quality.

A specific project of QRWA's is the education of visitors to and homeowners adjacent to North Haven's ponds, particularly Todd's Pond in the center of town on Maple Avenue.

Volunteers at the Town's ponds have asked visitors to cease feeding geese and ducks, and have informed them verbally and with flyers of the volunteer effort to replace vegetative buffers around ponds, explaining that buffers provide natural and safe food for waterfowl and reduce waste in the ponds.

EPA has a pdf worth distributing that's available online- <u>Animal Waste and Water Quality</u>:

http://www.epa.gov/owow_keep/NPS/toolbox/other/animalwaste.pdf

North Haven Earth Day Celebration/Environmental Information Day can provide the opportunity for educating the public and distributing appropriate material. The North Haven Library and the Public Works Department can display brochures for the public.

Signs discouraging the feeding of waterfowl and those that remind pet owners to clean up after their pets, can be placed at access points to the Quinnipiac and Muddy Rivers, Town pond areas, parks, and other places in town where waterfowl congregate or where dogs are walked.

Connecticut Conservation Districts website http://www.conservect.org/ has links to other sites providing information about pet waste and its effect on the environment and water.

Informative link can be put on the Town website: "Pet Waste, Water Quality & Your Health":

http://www.conservect.org/ctrivercoastal/PetWaste/tabid/317/Default.aspx

Signs discouraging the feeding of waterfowl at Todd's, King's, and Chapman-Sinoway Ponds should combine a picture/sketch with reasons why this is not a good practice, and if local ordinances are established, signs should display reference to ordinances.

Sign found online is posted in New York locations where waterfowl lives, and may be used with <u>permission</u>. (created by New York Department of Environmental Conservation)





The last paragraph would have to be reworded to direct inquiries to Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection.

If local ordinances are eventually necessary, signs for *pet waste pickup and proper disposal* should reflect their specifics and combine with an image. Examples found online:





Future Plan: The Town plans to distribute flyers to educate residents regarding the impact of pet and waterfowl wastes on the quality of water bodies in the Town of North Haven.

BMP 2E – Develop and maintain a library of educational materials on stormwater management.

Measurable Goal: Collect data and information by end of year one. Catalog and organize materials by end of year two. Distribute library of educational material to staff employees of Town departments by the end of year four. Make the library of educational materials available to public and consultant community by the end of year five.

Measurable goal was achieved by assembly of a large binder of educational materials, which was made available to the public at the Town Library.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue to collect, catalog and make available additional educational materials regarding stormwater management and other related water quality issues and to update the binder as appropriate.

BMP 2F – Alternate information sources – website, brochures, small posters.

Measurable Goal: Develop / select a brochure and develop a website by the end of year two.

Measurable goals were partially achieved by inclusion of "A Friend of the River" poster on the Town's website. On the poster page the QRWA offers to train teams and individuals to become a friend of the river and improve rivers and Long Island Sound by protecting streams in their backyard and volunteering to contact streamside landowners to reduce pollution.

Numerous environmental, stormwater management and watershed protection websites were explored for appropriate links to add to North Haven's town website.

The following task was completed under BMP 2F in 2010:

Recommend content, such as brochures or posters regarding stormwater management, for inclusion on a page or pages on the Town's website or on links to other stormwater or environmentally related websites.

Other websites, such as the Quinnipiac River Watershed Association, the North Haven Trail and Quinnipiac Trail Association and the Peter's Rock Association were explored to identify brochures or posters regarding stormwater management, with the following findings:

A new page for environmental awareness or "green living" could be added to North Haven's website to serve as a clearinghouse for related and pertinent material and links to other websites, facts, brochures and posters for stormwater management and related environmental education. Links and information could be cross-referenced on the appropriate tabs and pages already established. The new page could be divided into sections for students/kids and for homeowners, including a subcategory for those with septic systems.

Already linked to North Haven's website are the North Haven Trail Association (with information on the Quinnipiac River Trail) and Peter's Rock Association. North Haven Library can include information on its website about the environmental and stormwater management brochures and material available there.

US EPA's Stormwater Outreach Materials and Reference Documents link has various materials to download and print or to order: http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwatermonth.cfm

One good brochure from EPA called <u>Make your Home the Solution to Stormwater Pollution</u> is at http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/solution to pollution.pdf.

An EPA *door hanger* with check boxes for different pollutants found in the area (for volunteers to determine) can be found at http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/doorhanger.pdf.

EPA has 2 pages of *stormwater stickers* for kids to print up: http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/stormwaterstickers.pdf.

EPA has a *stormwater runoff pollution bookmark* available at http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/nps_month_bookmark.pdf.

EPA also has a placemat with a *stormwater facts crossword puzzle* to fill out: http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/stormwaterplacemat.pdf.

CT DEP's *Stormwater Management* link can be added to North Haven's website: http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp?a=2721&q=325702&depNav_GID=1654.

CT DEP's "Environmental Protection Begins with You" link, which is full of information and tips, would be an appropriate link on North Haven's website: http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp?a=2690&q=322450&depNav_GID=1511&depNav.

CT DEP's informative <u>Earth Day 40</u> video link: http://www.depdata.ct.gov/video/mainpsa.asp?url=http://u10videos.com/DEP/Ear thDay/earthday.wmv&name=Earth%20Day%2040:%20Connecticut's%20Environment%20Past,%20Present%20and%20Future

QVHD puts out an informational bookmark-sized document called <u>Don't Dump it</u> <u>Down That Drain</u> which focuses on unpolluted water collection and water supply watersheds. For more information on this document: Deborah Culligan, 203-248-4528

Any of the informational or educational posters/brochures from BMPs 2B, 2C, 2D, and 2E can be recommended and added/linked to an environmental page on North Haven's website or displayed in Town offices, schools, or the library.

Future Plan: The Town plans to consider adding links from the Town's website to other websites, such as those identified above to include brochures or posters regarding stormwater management and other water quality issues.

3.0 Public Involvement and Participation

BMP 3A – Introduce the North Haven Stormwater Management Plan to the public.

Measurable Goal: Hold a public workshop to kick off the Public Education and Outreach Program in Year 1.

Measurable goal was achieved by holding a public meeting on March 26, 2004 to introduce Plan.

The following task was completed under BMP 3A in 2010: Explore possible agenda items for a public meeting, if needed to reinforce interest in the Stormwater Plan and related pollution prevention topics.

The CT DEP website was explored, as well as Stormwater Management material from other towns in Connecticut.

If a public meeting is warranted, it is recommended that the Public Works Department advertise (complying with all State and local public notice requirements) an annual public meeting/hearing to reintroduce the <u>Stormwater Plan</u> and related pollution prevention topics. A memo can be sent to the Board of Education for distribution to teachers and students to encourage involvement, and to engineers who regularly make submissions to the Planning and Zoning or Inland Wetlands Commissions. The Town website, NHTV, the North Haven Library, and the main Town Hall can display the memo or post the date/advertise the meeting.

Content for the meeting can include a <u>Stormwater Management Plan</u> power point presentation by an Environmental Professional, the Town Engineer or Public

Works Director or another qualified person or agency. A question and answer period with a QVHD or CT DEP representative, if possible, can be added. The presentation should include the new MS4, DEP's various *General Permits for the Discharge of Stormwater*, the <u>2004 Connecticut Stormwater Quality Manual</u>, and stormwater regulations and requirements for plan submissions. Brochure handouts should be available from DEP and US EPA.

Pollution prevention steps that the Town and its citizens can practice can be discussed, with topics including the street sweeping schedule, catch basin and outlet cleaning, roadside litter pick-up, and the use of "Clear Lane" salt product manufactured by Cargill for deicing streets.

For those who wish to conduct development in town, reference material which includes the latest revisions of the following should be made available in the form of a handout: <u>MS4 General Permit</u>, <u>General Permit for the Discharge of Stormwater and Dewatering Wastes Associated with Construction Activities, Connecticut Department of Transportation Drainage Manual, 2004 Connecticut Stormwater Quality Manual, and Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control.</u>

A more informal way to introduce <u>North Haven's Stormwater Management Plan</u> can be at North Haven's Earth Day Celebration/Environmental Information Day.

Future Plan: The Town will rely on the public education and outreach BMPs discussed above to maintain a high degree of public interest in the Stormwater Plan and related pollution prevention topics. If deemed advisable, the Town may hold public meetings to reinforce interest in the program.

BMP 3B – Public hearing to present the North Haven Stormwater Management Plan.

Measurable Goal: Public notification, hold hearing in Year 1.

We believe that notification and hearing were conducted. We will search for documentation of such activities to confirm they were completed.

Future Plan: Unless re-notification and hearing are required, there are no future plans in this area because many other avenues for public outreach are planned, as described herein.

BMP 3C – Implement Neighborhood Watch.

Measurable Goal: 20 people trained and signed on as watchmen in years 3 through 5.

Measurable goal was not achieved. The practicality of the program is questionable because it is difficult to recruit watchmen.

As discussed under BMP 2F, "A Friend of the River" poster is included on the Town's website. On the poster page the QRWA offers to train teams and individuals to become a friend of the river and improve rivers and Long Island Sound by protecting streams in their backyard and volunteering to contact streamside landowners to reduce pollution.

Future Plan: The neighborhood watch BMP will be modified, using "Friends of the River" as a substitute.

BMP 3D – Storm drain marking / stenciling.

Measurable Goal: 40 storm drains stenciled; 5 volunteers involved in stenciling. Years one through five.

Measurable goal was achieved in 2010 by activities conducted by the Town QRWA to mark 250 storm drains in the Sentinel Hill area of Town. Additionally, approximately 450 letters were sent by Public Works to the residents in the Sentinel Hill area educating them to storm water management, catch basin care, no dumping, etc. and a Press Release was also developed and printed in the Town's local newspapers.

The Director of Public Works selected stickers and student volunteers, working safely under adult supervision, achieved public service credit for this activity.

Additional detail regarding the storm drain marking program is shown below:

Mary Mushinsky of the QRWA described the desired fee- or grant-based programs offered, combining stewardship and education. She said that **QRWA** serves as a middleman between scientists and volunteers.

One outreach project provides an opportunity for teams of students or youth groups (a good opportunity for a student to get community service hours and for Eagle Scout badges) to perform storm drain marking while accompanied by adult volunteers. It is popular with other Towns in Connecticut. North Haven's Public Works Department would have to provide funding (either directly or through grants) to **QRWA** to organize and train teams and to order appropriate detail stickers (either specialty or generic) and informational flyers to cover the goal of 100 marked storm drains and related material distributed to the adjacent neighborhood homes and businesses.

Teams of 5 persons are trained by **QRWA**. Team supplies include traffic safety cones, safety vests, a broom to sweep curb tops of storm drains, details, and glue to affix the detail to the curb top. Each team includes an adult watchman whose job is to watch for oncoming traffic. An adult on each team handles and affixes the glue to the detail for placement on the curb top. Flyers can also be distributed by team members to adjacent neighborhood homes and businesses.

One member of the team is the record keeper- s/he keeps track of the storm drains on each street that have been marked, the names of the volunteers present, the number of flyers that have been distributed and to which addresses. This information from all teams can then be tallied by **QRWA** and turned in to **CT DEP** and the **EPA**.

For more information on Storm Drain marking go to: http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/menuofbmps/index.cfm?action=browse&Rbutton=detail&bmp=15

EPA link to storm drain marking:

http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/menuofbmps/index.cfm?action=browse&Rbutton=detail&bmp=15

Ms. Mushinsky can be reached by email at grwa@sbcglobal.net.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue this activity by placement of another 500 catch basin markers in other areas of Town by supervised student volunteers, including those assigned to "Project Green" at the North Haven High School.

BMP 3E – Litter and debris cleanup.

Measurable Goal: Work with the QRWA and other community organizations to participate in cleanup events focusing on the Quinnipiac River. Involve the North Haven Conservation Commission and 20 volunteers by Year 5.

Measurable goal was substantially achieved by QRWA in conducting their annual Q-River Cleanup from Source to Sound. QRWA has local coordinators in each Town in the watershed, including North Haven, so that litter along all sections of the river is removed. The Town Public Works Department actively participates in the annual litter and debris cleanup by hauling away and properly disposing of the litter and debris collected by the volunteers.

The annual cleanup has been extremely effective in improving the appearance of the river and its banks. A declining amount of litter and debris is observed each year indicating that debris that had accumulated over a long period of time before the annual cleanups were initiated has been largely eliminated.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue to work closely with QRWA and the Conservation Commission to intensify, expand and improve litter cleanup, as needed.

4.0 Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program

BMP 4A – Develop and enforce an ordinance that prohibits illicit discharge and dumping and authorizes enforcement actions, including on private property.

Measurable Goal: Develop an ordinance in year one.

A model ordinance to prohibit illicit discharges has been forwarded to the Town for its consideration. Adoption of any new Town ordinance is a lengthy process involving legal reviews and careful consideration of how the proposed ordinance would be enforced by whom and at what cost. Hence, the suitability of the model ordinance to prohibit illicit discharges will be determined by the Town and/or the Town Attorney.

Future Plan: The Town plans to evaluate the model ordinance and determine its suitability for use by the Town.

BMP 4B – Develop and implement a program in conjunction with existing public outreach activities to inform the public employees, businesses, and the general public of hazards associated with illicit discharges.

Measurable Goal: Develop an outreach program by the end of year one.

Measurable goal was partially achieved, as described under section 2.0 of this report. Also, public works employees and water pollution control employees receive annual stormwater training through the industrial stormwater management program. Additionally, through the efforts of QRWA, many North Haven business owners and employees have taken the "Friends of the River" Business Program Pledge to conduct their businesses in a manner so as to prevent stormwater pollution and improve water quality.

Future Plan: As described above, the Town plans to continue its outreach programs and will include education regarding the water quality hazards of illicit discharges.

BMP 4C – Create a storm sewer mapping system showing all known storm drain outfalls and receiving waters.

Measurable Goal: Map and verify the location of all known outfalls from a pipe or conduit with a diameter of 15" or larger by end of year two and map and verify the location of all known outfalls from a pipe or conduit with a diameter of 12" or larger by end of year two.

Measurable goals were achieved in year one as part of the Stormwater Management Plan.

Future Plan: The Town plans to review and update the mapping, particularly in areas where new developments have been built or drainage improvements have been made.

BMP 4D – Develop SOP's to detect and address illicit discharges that include, at a minimum, the following components:

- Identification of priority areas for assessment
- Procedures for receipt and consideration of complaints
- Procedures for catch basin and manhole inspections for illicit discharges
- Procedures for dry weather surveys including field screening for nonstormwater flows and tests of selected parameters and bacteria
- Characterizing any discharges found
- Procedures to trace an illicit discharge
- Procedures to remove an illicit discharge
- Procedures for referral to CTDEP of illicit discharges
- Record keeping and tracking of all actions taken to detect and address illicit discharges
- Procedures for program evaluation and assessment

Measurable Goal: Develop SOP's to detect illicit discharges by the end of year two.

Measurable Goal: Determine 50% of illicit discharges by the end of year two and 90% by end of year three.

Measurable Goal: Eliminate 90% of illicit discharges by the end of year three.

Measurable Goal: Detect and eliminate most illicit discharges by the end of year four.

A draft "Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Program" is currently under consideration by the Town. The draft program addresses the above listed SOPs and goals and is subject to revisions before implementation.

In the meantime, public works employees report any unusual conditions they may observe to supervisors for follow-up. In addition, the Town and the Quinnipiack Valley Health District investigate and correct, as needed, citizen complaints or inquiries regarding possible illicit discharges.

Future Plan: The Town plans to review the draft IDDE program described above and implement a plan to detect and address illicit discharges.

BMP 4E – Develop and implement a stormwater monitoring / sampling plan.

Measurable Goal: Each year take six samples of stormwater outflow including two in residential areas, two in industrial areas and two in commercial areas.

Samples will be analyzed by a State approved laboratory. Years one through five.

The Town is in full compliance with the stormwater monitoring requirements of the General Permit. In 2009 and 2010 the Town caught up on outfall sampling and analysis that had not been conducted from 2005 through 2008.

As reported last year, stormwater outfall sampling of December 7, 2004, July 21, 2009 and November 27, 2009 and subsequent reporting of results to DEP complied with the monitoring requirements of the GP for years 1 through 3 (2004 through 2006).

In 2010, stormwater outfall sampling of May 3, 2010, May 12, 2010 and December 1, 2010 and subsequent reporting of results to DEP complied with the monitoring requirements of the GP for years 4 through 7 (2007 through 2010). Two of the required annual sampling events were conducted on May 3, 2010 when both the old sample locations and the new sample locations were sampled.

Because the results were previously transmitted to DEP, they are not attached hereto.

The monitoring data did not identify the presence of obvious illicit discharges within the areas tributary to the sampling locations. There were some exceedances of EPA benchmark values for stormwater quality, but none of the exceedances were indicative of illicit discharges. A tabulation of the seven monitoring rounds is presented in Appendix A of this report.

As reported in the 2009 Annual Report, the Town received approval from DEP to implement a sampling strategy whereby sampling locations will be rotated to better assess possible illicit discharges at various locations throughout the Town. The Town will continue with 2 samples each from residential, commercial and industrial areas, but will cluster them in various sections of Town and move on to new clustered locations after 2 or 3 annual sampling events. Clustering of the sample locations will also enable representative samples collected more closely spaced in time.

The six locations for stormwater sampling in 2010 are in the north end of Town; 2 industrial samples from different parts of the Wharton Brook Industrial Park, which is a heavy industrial area located between Route 5 and the Quinnipiac River; 2 commercial samples representative of Route 5 north of Route 22 (Washington Avenue, which is one of the primary commercial strips in Town) and 2 residential samples representative of the neighborhoods between Washington Avenue and I-91 to the east.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue annual stormwater sampling rounds when suitable storm events occur so as to maintain compliance with monitoring requirements.

BMP 4F – Develop and implement a plan to detect and address future non-stormwater discharges.

Measurable Goal: Develop procedures to implement the program by the end of year five.

As noted under BMP 4D, a draft "Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Program" is currently under consideration by the Town. The draft program includes on-going procedures to detect and correct future non-stormwater discharges.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue to evaluate information gained from implementation of BMPS 4A through 4E so as to implement on-going procedures to detect and address potential non-stormwater discharges.

BMP 4G – Develop procedures to evaluate BMPs and measurable goals of the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program.

Measurable Goal: Develop procedures to evaluate the program by the end of year two.

Measurable goal was not achieved because it relies on the experiences gained from other prerequisite activities outlined in the Stormwater Management Plan.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue to evaluate information gained from implementation of BMPS 4A through 4F so as to develop procedures to evaluate the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program.

5.0 Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control

BMP 5A – Update existing ordinances to ensure compliance with the General Permit, State regulations and Storm Sewer Use Ordinance. Ordinances will require construction operators disturbing at least one acre to obtain permit from the Town. The Town may, at their discretion, require erosion and sediment controls for smaller sites based on local conditions and needs.

Measurable Goal: Review existing ordinances and draft new ordinance if necessary to meet General Permit requirements by end of year one.

Measurable Goal: Update existing ordinances to meet General Permit requirements by end of year two.

Measurable goal was generally achieved because the Town's existing regulations already require a certified erosion and sediment control plan for any development when the disturbed area is cumulatively more than one-half acre.

In addition, Town wetlands regulations regulate activities within a 50-foot buffer strip between any developed areas and adjacent wetlands or watercourses.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continually review and evaluate its erosion and sediment control requirements for construction sites so as to provide effective and appropriate control measures.

BMP 5B – Notification to construction site developers and operators of the requirements for registration under the General Permit for the Discharge of Stormwater and Dewatering associated with Construction Activities.

Measurable Goal: Implement registration requirements for all projects exceeding one-acre threshold by end of year one.

Measurable Goal: Continue compliance with registration requirements years two through five.

Measurable goals were achieved through the standard operating procedures of the Town's Land Use Office, notifying developers early in the local permitting process of DEP registration requirements for discharge of stormwater from construction sites with land disturbance of one acre or more.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continually ensure compliance with DEP GP registration requirements for all projects exceeding the one-acre threshold.

BMP 5C – Develop a plan that will require construction site operators to implement appropriate erosion and sediment control BMPs.

Measurable Goal: Continue requirements for construction site operators to implement appropriate erosion and sediment control BMPs, in years one through five.

Measurable goals were achieved through the standard operating procedures of the Town's Land Use Office, requiring construction site operators to implement appropriate erosion and sediment control BMPs.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue requirements for construction site operators to implement appropriate erosion and sediment control BMPs.

BMP 5D – Require construction site operators to control waste at the site.

Measurable Goal: Continue requirements for construction site operators to control waste at the site, in years one through five.

Measurable goals were largely achieved through the standard operating procedures of the Town's Land Use Office, requiring construction site operators to control waste at the site.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue requirements for construction site operators to control waste at the site. In addition, the town will re-examine the waste control performance principles in the Town's Stormwater Management Plan to ensure conformity with the details of those performance principles by site operators.

BMP 5E – Review site plans prior to construction to ensure inclusion of erosion and sediment controls and post-construction controls in compliance with local ordinances and Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control.

Measurable Goal: Continue to review all site plans subject to ordinances and subdivision regulations.

Measurable goals were achieved through the standard operating procedures of the Town's Land Use Office, requiring review of site plans prior to construction to ensure inclusion of erosion and sediment controls and post-construction controls in compliance with local ordinances and Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue requirements for review of site plans prior to construction to ensure inclusion of erosion and sediment controls and post-construction controls in compliance with local ordinances and Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control.

BMP 5F – Continue training or coordinate with existing training efforts to educate plan reviewers in erosion and sediment controls and post-construction controls in compliance with local ordinances and Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control.

Measurable Goal: Annually train plan reviewers and attend any relevant training seminars.

Measurable goals were achieved through professional development of local plan reviewers by attendance at seminars and training opportunities, as available.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue to train plan reviewers and attend any relevant training seminars so as to stay current with erosion and sediment controls. In addition, the Town will avail its employees of training opportunities offered by the QRWA and DEP.

BMP 5G – Continue to inspect all construction sites during construction period that are regulated by local ordinance.

Measurable Goal: Inspect all construction sites meeting CTDEP threshold criteria and are not subject to a waiver. Inspection frequency will be based on prioritization criteria; however, all construction sites must be inspected at least once.

Measurable goals were largely achieved through the standard operating procedures of the Town's Land Use Office, with inspections of construction sites.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continue to inspect all construction sites meeting CTDEP threshold criteria and to inspect all construction sites at least once.

6.0 Post-Construction Stormwater Management

BMP 6A – Require through an ordinance the installation and proper maintenance of post-construction runoff controls in compliance with state and local laws for projects disturbing one acre or more of land. The Town may require post-development stormwater controls for smaller sites.

Measurable Goal: Incorporate post-construction runoff controls in the Storm Sewer Use ordinance by end of year two.

Measurable goal was generally achieved because the Town's existing Erosion and Sediment Control regulations already require the installation and proper maintenance of post-construction runoff controls in compliance with state and local laws for any development when the disturbed area is cumulatively more than one-half acre. The Town's Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Regulations require compliance with governing state statutes and requires conformance with Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control. North Haven's Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Regulations closely follow the model ordinance included in Appendix A of Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continually review and evaluate its erosion and sediment control requirements for construction sites so as to provide for the installation and proper maintenance of post-construction runoff controls in compliance with state and local laws.

BMP 6B – Develop and implement strategies which include a combination of structural and/or non-structural BMPs.

Measurable Goal: Continue implementation of BMPs including projects one acre or greater in disturbance in years one through five.

Measurable goal was achieved as evidenced by structural and non-structural BMPs emplaced on recent projects constructed in North Haven. Examples

include installation of vortex separators at the North Haven Commons and North Haven Crossing Shopping Centers recently constructed on Universal Drive and wetlands restoration adjacent the North Haven Athletic complex on the site of the former North Haven High School.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continually develop and implement strategies which include a combination of structural and/or non-structural BMPs.

BMP 6C – Develop a plan to address post-construction stormwater runoff during the plan review, construction inspection, and post-construction maintenance inspection process.

Measurable Goal: Develop and adopt a plan by the end of year five.

Measurable goal was largely achieved through the standard operating procedures of the Town's Land Use Office, notifying developers early in the local plan review process of requirements for zero net increase in runoff from preconstruction and pre-development conditions.

Future Plan: The Town plans to continually address post-construction stormwater runoff during the plan review, construction inspection, and post-construction maintenance inspection process.

The following is a discussion of research conducted in relation to BMPs 6A, 6B, & 6C to evaluate possible improvements to the Town's Post-Construction Stormwater management requirements and procedures

BMP 6A – Continue to review and evaluate the Town's erosion and sediment control requirements for construction sites so as to provide for the installation and proper maintenance of post-construction runoff controls in compliance with state and local regulations and laws.

BMP 6B - Continue to develop and implement strategies that include a combination of structural and/or non-structural BMPs.

BMP 6C – Continue to address post-construction stormwater runoff during the plan review, construction inspection, and post-construction maintenance inspection process.

Under BMPs 6A through 6C, DEP is emphasizing improvement in postconstruction minimum runoff measures and designing for improved stormwater quality from developed sites in the long run. DEP is focusing more and more on Low Impact Development (LID) and will be including LID requirements in the next round of permits. DEP is also encouraging disconnection of stormwater runoff from pipes and catch basins and getting it back into the ground. DEP recommends that the 2004 Connecticut Stormwater Quality Manual be referenced as a guide for post-construction design measures. Hence, the Town's current standard operating procedures of the Town's Land Use Office will be compared to the 2004 Connecticut Stormwater Quality Manual to determine consistency with that manual.

The following task was completed under BMPs 6A through 6C in 2010: Review and evaluate the Town's current standard operating procedures regarding control of post-construction stormwater runoff against the 2004 Connecticut Stormwater Quality Manual, model ordinances and other references and make recommendations, as needed, for post-construction runoff control measures.

The following is an evaluation of the Town's ongoing procedures for these BMPs and recommendations for additional post-construction runoff control measures, if needed.

The 2004 <u>Connecticut Stormwater Quality Manual</u> and the <u>2002 Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control</u> were researched, and numerous websites were explored for information on Erosion and Sediment Control, Stormwater Management practices, and low impact development.

BMP 6A: North Haven's Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Regulations require the installation and proper maintenance of post-construction runoff controls in compliance with Connecticut and local laws for development of disturbed areas equal to or more than one acre (1-5 acres and over 5 acres) and for tracts of land that are part of a larger common plan of development.

From North Haven's Zoning Regulations' Article VIII- Supplemental Regulations: Section 8.1.2 <u>Activities Requiring a Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Plan</u>: A soil erosion and sediment control plan shall be submitted with any application for development when the disturbed area of such development is cumulatively more than one-half acre. This shall apply to uses in all zones in town. (A single family dwelling that is not a part of a subdivision of land shall be exempt from these regulations.)

The Town's regulations require conformance with and closely follow the <u>2002</u> <u>Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control</u> (http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp?A=2720&Q=325660), with the minimum acceptable standards for development of soil erosion and sediment control plans specifically using the principles from Chapters 3 and 4. Chapters 7 and 9 of the <u>2004 Connecticut Stormwater Quality Manual</u> (http://www.ct.gov/DEP/cwp/view.asp?a=2721&q=325704&depNav_GID=1654#download) contain the appropriate method to be used in determining peak flow rates and volumes of runoff.

From North Haven's Zoning Regulations' Article VIII- Supplemental Regulations: Section 8.1 Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control:

- 8.1.5 Minimum Acceptable Standards
- 8.1.5.1 Plans for soil erosion and sediment control shall be developed in accordance with these regulations using the principles as outlined in Chapter 3 and 4 of the Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control (1985), as amended. Soil erosion and sediment control plans shall result in a development that minimizes erosion and sedimentation during construction; is stabilized and protected from erosion when completed; and does not cause offsite erosion and/or sedimentation.
- 8.1.5.2 The minimum standards for individual measures are those in the Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control (1985), as amended. The Commission (or the County Soil and Water Conservation District) may grant exceptions when requested by the applicant if technically sound reasons are presented.
- 8.1.5.3 The appropriate method from Chapter 9 of the Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control (1985), as amended, shall be used in determining peak flow rates and volumes of runoff unless an alternative method is approved by the Commission.

North Haven's standard procedure includes a pre-construction application review by the Town Engineer for drainage calculations, soil erosion and sedimentation controls, and other pertinent information to the project. The Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan requires a narrative describing the development, the schedule for grading and construction activities- start/completion dates, sequences of grading and construction activities, for installation and/or application of soil erosion and sediment control measures, and for final stabilization of the project site.

Also required are the design criteria, construction details, the installation and/or application procedure, and the operations and maintenance program for proposed soil erosion and sediment control measures and stormwater management facilities. The site plan must have a sufficient scale to show the location of proposed development and adjacent properties, the existing and proposed topography (including soil types, wetlands, watercourses, and water bodies); and any existing structures on the project site, proposed alterations, the location of the design details for proposed soil erosion and sediment control measures and stormwater management facilities, the sequences of grading and construction activities, for installation and/or application of soil erosion and sediment control measures, and for final stabilization of the project site. The plan must include any other information deemed necessary and appropriate by the applicant and regulations or as requested by the Commissions.

The Inland Wetlands Commission (if applicable), and the Planning and Zoning Commission each review the plan for compliance with the requirements and objectives of the *Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Regulations*. Prior to certification, any plan submitted may be reviewed by the County Soil and Water Conservation District. The Commissions shall make inspections during development to ensure compliance with the certified plan and that control measures and facilities are properly installed and maintained, and may also require progress reports. The Land Use Officer does follow up inspection of control measures during the construction phase and works closely with the Town Engineer to monitor progress and compliance.

The <u>2004 Stormwater Quality Manual</u> cites numerous practices for post-construction runoff control, including:

- Frequent street/pavement sweeping, and the removal and proper disposal
 of sweepings. Street sweepings have limited reuse possibilities as
 aggregate in concrete or asphalt, daily landfill cover, and fill in road
 projects. Proper disposal is suggested at a permitted Solid Waste facility.
- Proper street condition maintenance for facilitated sweeping and deicing.
 Roads and adjacent developed areas to be kept in good condition by filling
 potholes, repairing riprap, stabilizing vegetated areas, regarding berms
 and ditches, and maintaining silt fences where needed. Repair work on
 streets and bridges or culverts to be properly executed to contain
 chemicals, paint, soils, rock, and debris.
- The use of the proper product for deicing roads and pavement. North Haven uses "Ice B Gone" and "Clear Lane" products, which are more environmentally friendly than previously used salt products.
- Snow removed from roadways and other pavement can contain contaminants and should be kept away from environmentally sensitive areas and storm drainage systems.
- Storm drain systems to be checked and cleaned regularly.
- Illicit discharges to be detected and eliminated by checking for failing septic systems, wastewater connections in commercial and industrial developments, discharge testing, and monitoring and controlling illegal dumping.
- Responsible lawn care and landscaping practices including regular maintenance, proper planning and plant selection, limiting use of pesticides and fertilizers, proper irrigation/mulching practices.

- Animal waste management, including pets and waterfowl. Educating the
 public to discourage feeding and habitat modification with vegetation can
 help control waterfowl wastes. Pet owners can properly dispose of pet
 waste by bagging in household trash or by burying in at least 5 inches of
 soil away from vegetable gardens and water sources.
- Model Stormwater Ordinances to provide the legal authority for water resource protection on the local level.

Model Ordinances reviewed

State of Connecticut:

Appendix C of the <u>2004 Connecticut Stormwater Quality Manual</u> contains Model Ordinances including one for Stormwater Operation and Maintenance, which was originally developed for use by coastal communities. For application requirements it states that Stormwater Management Plans should be strongly encouraged for *all* land use and development projects, even where they are not required.

The application pertains to development or construction on one or more acres of total land area on a site, and a total disturbance of over 5 acres also requires the submission of registration to the CT DEP under the *General Permit for the Discharge of Stormwater and Dewatering Wastewaters from Construction Activities.* It also pertains to any site with one acre or more of impervious cover, new residential development of 3 or more units, new industrial or commercial projects, and it states that the commission which has jurisdiction over the application has required submission of a stormwater management plan pursuant to written findings that the activity proposed in the application has the potential to cause significant nonpoint source pollution to groundwater, surface water drinking supplies, or to Long Island Sound or any other waters of the State. This may be based upon a written request by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection.

The stormwater management plan must provide at a minimum:

- Soil characteristics of the site
- Location of the closest surface water bodies and wetlands to the site and the depth to any groundwater or aquifer areas on or adjacent to the site
- DEP ground and surface water quality classification of water bodies on and adjacent to the site
- Identification of any waterbodies on and adjacent to the site documented by DEP as not meeting water quality standards

- Location and description of all proposed stormwater control BMPs for both construction activities and post-construction long-term stormwater control
- Proposed maintenance and operation schedule for catch basins or other BMP structures or techniques used to prevent runoff, encourage sheet flow or infiltration, or treat stormwater
- Calculations of stormwater runoff rates, suspended solids removal rates, and soil infiltration rates before and after completion of the activity proposed in the application
- A hydrologic study of pre-development site conditions relating to probable impact of the proposed activity and the extent downstream where the proposed activity causes less than a 5% change in the peak flow rates

Standards for Criteria include:

- Direct channeling of untreated surface water runoff into adjacent ground and surface waters shall be prohibited
- No net increase in urban stormwater runoff from the site shall result from the proposed activity
- Design and planning for site development shall provide for minimal disturbance of pre-development natural hydrologic conditions, and shall reproduce such conditions after completion of the proposed activity
- Pollutants shall be controlled at their source in order to minimize contamination
- Stormwater management systems shall be designed and maintained to manage site runoff in order to eliminate surface and groundwater pollution, prevent flooding and, where required, control peak discharges and provide pollution treatment
- Stormwater management systems shall be designed to collect, retain, and treat the first inch of rain on-site so as to trap floating material (BMP techniques to include oil and grit separators and trash hoods)
- On-site storage of stormwater shall be employed to the maximum extent feasible (landscaped depressions, grass swales, infiltration trenches, and retention or detention basins)
- Post-development runoff rates and volumes shall not exceed predevelopment rates and volumes. Stormwater runoff rates and volumes shall be controlled by slowing runoff velocities and encouraging infiltration (minimization of impervious surfaces, minimization of curbing and collection, use of grass or vegetative filter zones, landscape depressions, establishment of buffers from streams, wetlands, and water bodies)
- Stormwater treatment systems shall be employed where necessary to ensure that the average annual loadings of total suspended solids (TSS) following the completion of the proposed activity at the site are

no greater than such loadings prior to the proposed activity. Stormwater treatment systems shall remove 80% of TSS from the site on an average annual basis (infiltration through vegetative strips, grass swales, and detention basins)

East Lyme, Connecticut:

East Lyme's Stormwater Management Regulations recommend that applicants meet with the Town Engineer prior to any applications that are subject to review by the appropriate regulations/commissions. They require that stormwater management systems be designed in accordance with the Connecticut Department of Transportation Drainage Manual (http://www.ct.gov/dot/cwp/view.asp?a=3200&g=260116) and the CT DEP's <u>2004 Stormwater Quality Manual</u>, the former containing very specific guidelines for design practices, criteria, and procedures. The Regulations require that peak flow rates and stormwater volumes be calculated for both pre- and post-construction conditions using the most appropriate of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service- Technical Release, and Army Corps of Engineers- Hydrologic Engineering Center series or other hydraulic programs approved by the Town Engineer. Their regulations are worded guite specifically regarding peak flow and volume control, groundwater recharge volume, water quality volume, infiltration basins/areas, filtration basins/areas, and general requirements.

State of Georgia:

A Model Ordinance for post-development stormwater management for new development and redevelopment from Georgia requires compliance with State and Federal laws, regulations, and permits when addressing the impacts of post-development stormwater runoff quality and nonpoint source pollution.

Its general set of objectives is similar to those of North Haven's, and further encourages the use of *nonstructural* stormwater management and site design practices, as well as the establishment of provisions for long-term responsibility for and maintenance of structural stormwater control facilities and nonstructural stormwater management practices, including long-term follow-up. Similarities to North Haven's requirements for a stormwater management plan include the developer's initial consultation with the appropriate Town authority to review an existing conditions/proposed site plan, a natural resources inventory, and a stormwater management system concept plan.

The Stormwater Management Plan requires existing and postdevelopment hydrologic analyses for the site as well as post-development downstream analysis, a stormwater management system, a construction-phase erosion and sedimentation control plan, a landscaping and open space plan, and an operations and maintenance plan, the latter three requirements similar to the Town of North Haven's. Georgia requires that the applicant ensure access from public rights-of-way to stormwater management facilities for inspection and repair by securing access easements needed on a permanent basis. These easements are then documented on a map or document to be recorded on land records. The applicant must certify and provide documentation to the local authority that all other applicable environmental permits have been acquired for the site prior to approval of the stormwater management plan.

Prior to the issuance of any permit for land development requiring stormwater management where the local authority requires ongoing maintenance, the applicant or owner of the site must, unless an on-site stormwater management facility or practice is dedicated to and accepted by the local authority, execute an inspection and maintenance agreement, and/or a conservation easement, that shall be binding on all subsequent owners of the site.

For North Haven, continual review of erosion and sediment control requirements for construction sites, and the overseeing and provision of guidance for proper installation and maintenance of post-construction runoff controls will help to ensure compliance with State and local laws. The applicable authority and commissions may wish to set more specific design objectives based upon impervious surface area, watershed studies, total maximum daily load (TMDL) of pollutants, and other criteria; and incorporate applicable guidelines from the above model ordinances and others that can be researched.

BMP 6B: Minimize runoff from impervious surfaces using both structural and non-structural strategies.

Many *Structural BMPs* are actually based on natural systems and rely upon vegetation and soil mechanisms in order to perform as intended. Others are considered more conventional manmade techniques. They are to work in conjunction with other design-based approaches to minimize unavoidable impacts.

Examples of *Structural BMPs* include storm drainage systems, storage or detention facilities, hydrodynamic and oil/particle separators, and both infiltration and vegetative practices. The *Vortechs* type hydrodynamic separator is used in the newer shopping centers on Universal Drive. For information on the different separator designs, see **EPA's** hydro separator link: http://www.epa.gov/owm/mtb/hydro.pdf.

Oil/particle separators promote sedimentation of coarse materials and separation of free oil (as opposed to emulsified or dissolved oil) from stormwater runoff. Due to their limited storage capacity and volume, these systems are considered to have only limited water quality treatment capabilities.

Use of *crushed stone*, *permeable* (*grass/turf in spaces*) *pavers*, *catch basin inserts* and *constructed wetlands* can slow, direct, and enhance absorption of stormwater runoff. Utilizing oversized catch basins with 4 ft. or 6 ft. deep sumps (where applicable) is recommended if detention in the form of a basin or wet pond isn't used at the terminus of the drainage system. Using outlet protection such as riprap, erosion control matting and vegetative linings in outlet channels is also suggested.

Biofiltration is a pollution control technique using living material to capture and biologically degrade process pollutants and harmful hydrocarbons or silt from surface runoff. Examples of structured biofiltration include biobags around storm drains, the use of trickling filters, and Living walls which are concrete walls planted with greenery. The plants on living walls can be useful in purifying slightly polluted water (such as gray water) by absorbing the dissolved nutrients.

Structured wetlands, vegetative buffers, structural grass, vegetative swales (bioswales) and trenches act as natural filterers and help to direct stormwater runoff. Currently, wetlands restoration has been implemented adjacent to the North Haven Athletic Complex on the site of the former North Haven High School. Grassed or vegetative filter strips (biostrips) are sloped areas that are intended to treat sheet flow from adjacent impervious areas by slowing runoff and filtering out sediment and pollutants. Other examples of biofiltration and bioretention include slow sand filters, treatment ponds, and rain gardens (a form of bioretention), shallow depressions or low garden areas in parking lots or yards used to control sheet flow and filter litter and hydrocarbons from runoff. Planted with rain-loving native plants, rain gardens allows storm water to be filtered through the ground rather than running off into streets and storm drains where it would capture more sediment and nutrients, degrading water quality.

Non-Structural BMPs focus on minimization of land disturbances and maximization of open space by protecting natural systems and incorporating existing landscape features such as wetlands, streams, riparian forests and zones into site plans to manage stormwater at its source. Limiting curbs and gutters on proposed roads and parking lots, the use of green belts, and the preservation of buffer strips are all examples of non-structural BMPs.

BMP 6C: The Town's Land Use Department has standard operating procedures in place to notify developers early in the plan review process of the requirements for the construction site during development and post-construction. The Zoning Regulations' minimum acceptable standards for soil erosion and sedimentation control and stormwater management techniques reflect the four Tenets of DEP's

Low Impact Development (LID) guidelines from the CT DEP website page called Stormwater General Permits and Incorporation of Low Impact Development Evaluation

(http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp?a=2719&q=459488&depNav_GID=1654):

Four Tenets of LID: LID-style best management practices (BMPs), such as vegetative filter strips, pocket sand filters, and infiltration systems for example, have been available for the control of stormwater for several decades, however the LID approach to site design is a relatively recent development and represents a significant change in site planning and stormwater management philosophy. LID emphasizes working within the constraints of landscapes to prevent stormwater generation, while traditional stormwater management emphasizes shunting away stormwater and treating it to the extent practicable (e.g., 80% total suspended solids removal from the first inch runoff from impervious surfaces) at or near its point of discharge.

The ideal way to manage stormwater is by preventing runoff generation. LID is a group of stormwater management techniques that do just that by controlling stormwater at its source. This occurs through the application of four key principles:

- Minimizing site disturbance
- Working with site hydrology
- Minimizing and disconnecting impervious surface
- Applying small-scale controls at the source

Also from **CT DEP** is an important pdf which contains many links concerning LID: <u>CT DEP</u>: <u>Water Protection and Land Reuse Resources for Municipalities</u>

Both the Planning and Zoning and Inland Wetland Commissions should strive to establish procedures to review applications and plans with the LID focus. The Town Engineer can establish an LID review process for applicants, and applicants can be required to fill out a questionnaire about which BMPs are included in their proposals. A top priority would be to educate developers about the key points of LID.

Include the review of the <u>2004 Stormwater Quality Manual</u> on hearings' agendas and require that Commission members specifically ask applicants about BMPs. In the regulations, applicants can be required to provide a presentation to demonstrate stormwater quality control measures being taken on a project, and waste control by construction site operators at the site. Review and consider new procedures to receive and document information from the public of possible violations on sites.

Upon the completion of a project, require post-construction follow-up reports and implement regular inspection schedules by appropriate Town Departments or

Commissions. Appendix E of the <u>2004 Stormwater Quality Manual</u> has a *Maintenance Inspection Checklist* for Stormwater Ponds and Wetlands, Infiltration Basins and Trenches, Filtering Practices- Sand and Organic Filters, Filter Practices- Bioretention, and Water Quality Swales: (http://www.ct.gov/dep/lib/dep/water_regulating_and_discharges/stormwater/manual/Apx_E_Maintence_Ins_Chklst.pdf).

7.0 Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations

BMP 7A – Revise existing maintenance activities and procedures to include new BMPs that reduce pollutants in stormwater from municipal maintenance activities.

Measurable Goal: Develop a revised O & M Plan by the end of year one.

Measurable Goal: Continue O & M requirements in years two through five.

Measurable goal was partially achieved through the standard operating procedures of the Town's Public Works Department, particularly since the new Director of Public Works, Lynn K. Sadosky began employment with the Town in 2009 and renewed emphasis on the importance of environmental issues.

Future Plan: The Town plans to explore development of a separate O & M Plan, including new BMPs that reduce pollutants in stormwater.

BMP 7B – Develop and implement a training program for public employees to provide education on pollution prevention and good housekeeping practices.

Measurable Goal: Annually train public employees and attend any relevant training seminars.

Measurable goal was achieved through annual training of public works and treatment plant employees as part of the Town's Industrial Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan.

Future Plan: The Town plans to include training public employees under the Municipal Stormwater Program to provide education on pollution prevention and good housekeeping practices.

BMP 7C – Implement a catch basin cleaning and stormwater system maintenance program.

Measurable Goal: Inspect and maintain, as needed, catch basins and other stormwater drainage system facilities based on a schedule described in the O & M Plan by the end of year five.

Measurable goal was substantially achieved through annual catch basin cleaning conducted by the Public Works Department. In addition, the volume of sand applied to Town roads has been drastically reduced by the use of an enhanced de-icing salt, starting in 2009. Thus, the volume of sand accumulating in catch basins and other stormwater drainage system facilities has been reduced accordingly.

Future Plan: The Town plans to formalize the schedule and record-keeping of catch basin cleaning and integrate such activities into an overall pollution prevention O & M Plan.

BMP 7D – Implement a street sweeping program that evaluates and establishes priority areas as part of stormwater system maintenance pollution prevention and good housekeeping practices.

Measurable Goal: All Town roads will be swept on a schedule described in the CTDEP General Permit, which will be incorporated into the Town's O & M Plan by the end of year one.

Measurable Goal: All Town roads will be swept once a year, with priority areas being swept with greater frequency as determined by field inspection, years two through five.

Measurable goal was substantially achieved through annual street sweeping conducted by the Public Works Department. In addition, the volume of sand applied to Town roads has been drastically reduced by the use of an enhanced de-icing salt, starting in 2009. Thus, the volume of sand accumulating on roadways has been reduced accordingly.

Future Plan: The Town plans to formalize the schedule and record-keeping of street sweeping activities into an overall pollution prevention O & M Plan.

Summary of Stormwater Activities Planned for Next Reporting Cycle

The following is a listing of the BMPs contained in the Town's Municipal Stormwater Management Plan. Each BMP is followed by a statement of the Town's planned future activities under that BMP.

In many cases, the planned future activities are simply a restatement of the BMPs as many of the BMPs are the Town's ongoing practices and their plan is to simply continue those practices.

Public Education and Outreach

BMP 2A – In support and partnership with QRWA, continue to implement an outreach and education program, educating the public on watershed dynamics and pollution loading issues.

Plan: Continue to utilize educational opportunities available from the QRWA, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority and others as described above.

BMP 2B – Distribute information on lawn fertilizer, pesticide use, impacts of overuse and other household contaminants.

Plan: Continue to use brochures and fact sheets, to continue sponsoring the annual Environmental Information Day and explore other opportunities, such as local access cable television and the Town's website, as discussed above, to further educate homeowners regarding lawn fertilizer, pesticide use, impacts of overuse and other household contaminants.

BMP 2C - Reduce the impact of failing septic systems and their effect on the quality of water bodies in the Town of North Haven.

Plan: Continue to use brochures and fact sheets and explore other opportunities, such as local access cable television and the Town's website, to further educate homeowners regarding the impact of failing septic systems and their effect on the quality of water bodies in the Town of North Haven.

BMP 2D – Reduce nutrient loading through pet wastes and waterfowl wastes reduction.

Plan: Distribute flyers to educate residents regarding the impact of pet and waterfowl wastes on the quality of water bodies in the Town of North Haven.

BMP 2E – Develop and maintain a library of educational materials on stormwater management.

Plan: Continue to collect, catalog and make available additional educational materials regarding stormwater management and other related water quality issues and to update the binder as appropriate.

BMP 2F – Alternate information sources – website, brochures, small posters.

Plan: Consider adding links from the Town's website to other websites, such as those identified above to include brochures or posters regarding stormwater management and other water quality issues.

Public Involvement and Participation

BMP 3A – Introduce the North Haven Stormwater Management Plan to the public.

Plan: Rely on the public education and outreach BMPs discussed above to maintain a high degree of public interest in the Stormwater Plan and related pollution prevention topics. If deemed advisable, the Town may hold public meetings to reinforce interest in the program.

BMP 3B – Public hearing to present the North Haven Stormwater Management Plan.

Plan: Unless re-notification and hearing are required, there are no future plans in this area because many other avenues for public outreach are planned, as described herein.

BMP 3C – Implement Neighborhood Watch.

Plan: The neighborhood watch BMP will be modified, using "Friends of the River" as a substitute.

BMP 3D – Storm drain marking / stenciling.

Plan: Continue this activity by placement of stickers in other area of Town by supervised student volunteers working toward community service credits.

BMP 3E – Litter and debris cleanup.

Plan: Continue to work closely with QRWA and the Conservation Commission to intensify, expand and improve litter cleanup, as needed.

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program

BMP 4A – Develop and enforce an ordinance that prohibits illicit discharge and dumping and authorizes enforcement actions, including on private property.

Plan: Evaluate the model ordinance and determine its suitability for use by the Town.

BMP 4B – Develop and implement a program in conjunction with existing public outreach activities to inform the public employees, businesses, and the general public of hazards associated with illicit discharges.

Plan: Continue outreach programs and will include education regarding the water quality hazards of illicit discharges.

BMP 4C – Create a storm sewer mapping system showing all known storm drain outfalls and receiving waters.

Plan: Review and update the mapping, particularly in areas where new developments have been built or drainage improvements have been made.

BMP 4D – Develop SOP's to detect and address illicit discharges.

Plan: Review the draft IDDE program described above and implement a plan to detect and address illicit discharges.

BMP 4E – Develop and implement a stormwater monitoring / sampling plan.

Plan: Continue annual stormwater sampling rounds when suitable storm events occur so as to maintain compliance with monitoring requirements.

BMP 4F – Develop and implement a plan to detect and address future non-stormwater discharges.

Plan: Continue to evaluate information gained from implementation of BMPS 4A through 4E so as to implement on-going procedures to detect and address potential non-stormwater discharges.

BMP 4G – Develop procedures to evaluate BMPs and measurable goals of the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program.

Plan: Continue to evaluate information gained from implementation of BMPS 4A through 4F so as to develop procedures to evaluate the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program.

Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control

BMP 5A – Update existing ordinances to ensure compliance with the General Permit, State regulations and Storm Sewer Use Ordinance. Ordinances will require construction operators disturbing at least one acre to obtain permit from the Town. The Town may, at their discretion, require erosion and sediment controls for smaller sites based on local conditions and needs.

Plan: Continually review and evaluate erosion and sediment control requirements for construction sites so as to provide effective and appropriate control measures.

BMP 5B – Notification of construction site developers and operators of the requirements for registration under the General Permit for the Discharge of Stormwater and Dewatering associated with Construction Activities.

Plan: Continually ensure compliance with DEP GP registration requirements for all projects exceeding the one-acre threshold.

BMP 5C – Develop a plan that will require construction site operators to implement appropriate erosion and sediment control BMPs.

Plan: Continue requirements for construction site operators to implement appropriate erosion and sediment control BMPs.

BMP 5D – Require construction site operators to control waste at the site.

Plan: Continue requirements for construction site operators to control waste at the site. In addition, the town will re-examine the waste control performance principles in the Town's Stormwater Management Plan to ensure conformity with the details of those performance principles by site operators.

BMP 5E – Review site plans prior to construction to ensure inclusion of erosion and sediment controls and post-construction controls in compliance with local ordinances and Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control.

Plan: Continue requirements for review of site plans prior to construction to ensure inclusion of erosion and sediment controls and post-construction controls in compliance with local ordinances and Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control.

BMP 5F – Continue training or coordinate with existing training efforts to educate plan reviewers in erosion and sediment controls and post-construction controls in compliance with local ordinances and Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control.

Plan: Continue to train plan reviewers and attend any relevant training seminars so as to stay current with erosion and sediment controls. In addition, the Town will avail its employees of training opportunities offered by the QRWA and DEP.

BMP 5G – Continue to inspect all construction sites during construction period that are regulated by local ordinance.

Plan: Continue to inspect all construction sites meeting CTDEP threshold criteria and to inspect all construction sites at least once.

Post-Construction Stormwater Management

BMP 6A – Require through an ordinance the installation and proper maintenance of post-construction runoff controls in compliance with state and local laws for projects disturbing one acre or more of land. The Town may require post-development stormwater controls for smaller sites.

Plan: Continually review and evaluate the Town's erosion and sediment control requirements for construction sites so as to provide for the installation and proper

maintenance of post-construction runoff controls in compliance with state and local laws.

BMP 6B: Minimize runoff from impervious surfaces using both structural and non-structural strategies.

Plan: Continually develop and implement strategies, which include a combination of structural and/or non-structural BMPs to minimize runoff.

BMP 6C – Develop a plan to address post-construction stormwater runoff during the plan review, construction inspection, and post-construction maintenance inspection process.

Plan: Continually address post-construction stormwater runoff during the plan review, construction inspection, and post-construction maintenance inspection process.

Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations

BMP 7A – Revise existing maintenance activities and procedures to include new BMPs that reduce pollutants in stormwater from municipal maintenance activities.

Plan: Explore development of a separate O & M Plan, including new BMPs that reduce pollutants in stormwater.

BMP 7B – Develop and implement a training program for public employees to provide education on pollution prevention and good housekeeping practices.

Plan: Include training of public employees under the Municipal Stormwater Program to provide education on pollution prevention and good housekeeping practices.

BMP 7C – Implement a catch basin cleaning and stormwater system maintenance program.

Plan: Formalize the schedule and record-keeping of catch basin cleaning and integrate such activities into an overall pollution prevention O & M Plan.

BMP 7D – Implement a street sweeping program that evaluates and establishes priority areas as part of stormwater system maintenance pollution prevention and good housekeeping practices.

Plan: Formalize the schedule and record-keeping of street sweeping activities into an overall pollution prevention O & M Plan.

Changes in Measurable Goals or Implementation Dates

Measurable goals have not changed appreciably from the original 2004 Stormwater Management Plan, except in some cases to re-evaluate and update measurable goals during 2010. Changed conditions or experiences gained from 2004 though 2009 may result in changes in measurable goals for 2010.

Implementation dates, as detailed previously in this report have only changed in cases where measurable goals were not achieved as originally planned in the 2004 Plan. Those implementation dates will be adjusted to allow the Town of North Haven to evaluate various elements of the program and gain compliance with GP provisions that had not been achieved previously.

Certification Statement of Chief Elected Official

I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments thereto, and I certify that, based on reasonable investigation, including my inquiry of those individuals responsible for obtaining the information, the submitted information is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that a false statement made in this document or its attachments may be punishable as a criminal offense, in accordance with Section 22a-6 of the Connecticut General Statutes, pursuant to Section 53a-157b of the Connecticut General Statutes, and in accordance with any other applicable statute.

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